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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Shinichiro KOTAKE et al.

Title:

FLUE GAS TREATING SYSTEM AND

PROCESS

Appl. No.:

09/658,928

Appl. Filing Date:

09/11/2000

Examiner:

Wayne A. Langel

Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1.	Submission required	l under 37 C	C.F.R. §1.11	4: (check item:	s that apply)
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	[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not
	[]	Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on
	a. Pre	eviously submitted:

[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37
	C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
[]	Other
b. End	closed are:
[X]	Amendment/Reply (7 pages).
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[X]	Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages).
[X]	Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page) with copy of 1 listed reference(s) (9 pgs.) and translation (6 pgs.).
ſΊ	Other:

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):						\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	24	-	26	=0	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	1	-	3	=0	x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	y Multiple I	Dependent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$290.00
				CLAIMS	FE	E TOTAL:	=	\$1060.00

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]
\$0.00	\$420.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]
\$0.00	\$950.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]
\$0.00	\$1,480.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]
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\$1060.00	TAL FEE:	TC	

- A check in the amount of \$1060.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. [X]
- [X]The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 9, 2004

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